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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 17, 2008, said period of response being extended from June 17, 2008 to August 17, 2008.

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Respectfully submitted,

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